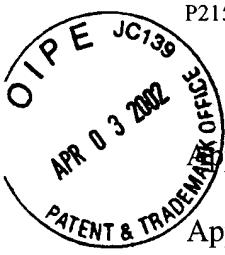


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Sir :

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Applicant hereby calls the following information to the Examiner's attention:

(1) U.S. Patent No.4,743,788 to TAKAGI et al., entitled "Input Frequency Control Device for Surface Acoustic Wave Motor", which issued on May 10, 1988;

(2) U.S. Patent No. 4,833,358 to SUZUKI et al., entitled "Vibration Wave Motor", which issued May 23, 1989;

(3) Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. HEI 7-227089 to SAYA, entitled "Drive Control Unit for Ultrasonic Motor", which was laid-open on August 22, 1995, along with an English language translation; and

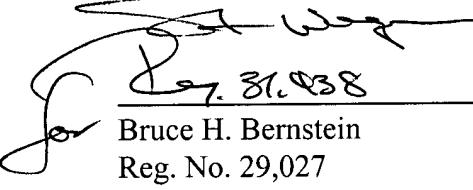
(4) U.S. Patent No. 6,238,336 B1 to OUCHI, entitled "Ultrasonic Endoscope Including Radial Scanning and Linear Scanning Ultrasonic Transducers", which issued May 29, 2001.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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